WILMINGTON UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
BASIC COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE NUMBER:     HIS  317

COURSE TITLE:       Military History

Faculty Name:

Contact Information:

Pre-Requisite:      None

Text/Software:

Credits:            3

40 Hours of Structured Learning Activities

COURSE DESCRIPTION: This course is a study of warfare from ancient to modern times. It focuses on how political, social, and economic conditions shape the battles and the tools that are used in warfare. In addition, the moral and psychological aspects of war will be considered. Geography also plays an important role in shaping warfare, its causes, and outcomes. The course will focus secondarily on the geographical aspect.

At the conclusion of this course students will be asked to evaluate the course based on the following objectives:

IDEA-  1     Gaining factual knowledge (terminology, methods, trends)

IDEA- 11    Learning to analyze and critically evaluate ideas, arguments, and points of view

IDEA- 12    Acquiring an interest in learning more by asking questions and seeking answers

COURSE GOALS:

GOAL A:

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Demonstrate knowledge of the historical human military conflicts from ancient times to the modern era.

Learning Objectives: The student will:

A-1 Describe changes in tactical and strategic planning of warfare over time

A-2 Interpret the role of technology and strategic thinking in specific conflicts throughout history

A-3 Identify key contributors, conflicts, technologies and events in the history of warfare

A-4 Demonstrate a knowledge of proper terminology and their applications

GOAL B:

Analyze the role warfare has played in shaping world events and conditions

Learning Objectives: The student will:

B-1 Relate how past military conflicts influenced and affected modern day conflicts

B-2 Compare and contrast military patterns, theories and actions over time by choosing a conflict in one era and relating it to conflicts in other eras

B-3 Compose a response/opinion paper exploring “what if” scenarios from a specific military conflict and how history may have been altered

GOAL C:

Summarize the patterns of human behavior within the context of warfare and military conflicts throughout history

Learning Objectives: The student will:

C-1 Identify the changing nature of how humans conceptualize, carry out and justify military conflicts
C-2 Design a presentation/project demonstrating how humans have looked to warfare to achieve religious, political, social and geographical goals

C-3 Compare and contrast the techniques used to train and prepare warriors/soldiers throughout history

EVALUATION PROCEDURE AND GRADING POLICY:

LATE ASSIGNMENT POLICY:

CAS CLASSROOM STANDARDS: See Blackboard “Syllabus” area

COURSE SCHEDULE (all assignments/exams and due dates):